

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1 Claim 1 (currently amended): A message delivery
2 system having a client system acquiring a delivery message
3 from a server unit by requesting to transmit the delivery
4 message stored in the server unit in compliance with a
5 notification from the server unit,
6 wherein the client system includes a received message
7 storing means for storing delivery message information
8 received from the server unit, and an instruction and
9 message acquisition requesting means for informing the
10 server unit of a succeeding message acquiring request, if
11 a succeeding message is present, and a process instructing
12 request for the delivery message whose reception is
13 completed when reception of the delivery message from the
14 server unit is completed, and
15 wherein the server unit includes a message start
16 notification means for sending said notification to the
17 client system in response to arrival of the succeeding
18 message at the server, a delivery message storing means for
19 storing the delivery message to be transmitted to the
20 client system, and message processing means for
21 transmitting a succeeding message stored in the delivery

22 message storing means to the client system in compliance
23 with a request from the client system and then processing
24 the delivery message whose reception is completed.

1 Claim 2 (Original): The message delivery system
2 according to claim 1,
3 wherein, by instructing to delete from the delivery
4 message storing means of the server unit as the process for
5 the delivery message whose reception is completed,
6 the message processing means deletes the delivery
7 message, which is informed by the client system and whose
8 reception is completed, from the delivery message storing
9 means in compliance with an instruction from the client
10 system.

1 Claim 3 (Original): The message delivery system
2 according to claim 2,
3 wherein the server unit holds the delivery message
4 stored in the delivery message storing means until its
5 deletion is instructed by the client system, and then
6 transmits the same delivery message once again when it
7 receives an acquiring request from the client system.

1 Claim 4 (Original): The message delivery system
2 according to claim 1,
3 wherein the server unit further includes a processed

4 message storing means for storing the messages delivered to
5 the client system, and

6 wherein, by instructing to move from the delivery
7 message storing means of the server unit as the process for
8 the delivery message whose reception is completed,

9 the message processing means moves the delivery
10 message, which is informed by the client system and whose
11 reception is completed, from the delivery message storing
12 means to the processed storing means in compliance with an
13 instruction from the client system.

1 Claim 5 (Original): The message delivery system
2 according to claim 4,

3 wherein the server unit holds the delivery message
4 stored in the delivery system storing means until its
5 movement is instructed by the client system, and then
6 transmits the same delivery message once again when it
7 receives an acquiring request from the client system.

1 Claim 6 (Original): A message delivery system
2 according to claim 1, further comprising:

3 a message instruction requesting means for informing
4 the server unit of only a process instruction request for
5 the delivery message whose reception is completed when
6 there is no succeeding message.